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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to exempt public sector airlines from obtaining licences to import aircraft as reported in the The Hindu dated April 08, 2006;

(b) if so, the details and objectives thereof; and

(c) the extent to which aviation industry is likely to be benefited by such relaxation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) Any entity which has been granted permission by the Ministry of Civil Aviation, for operating scheduled or non-scheduled air transport services, including public sector airlines have been allowed to import aircrafts without obtaining an import licence;

(b) Details are given in Chapter 88 of the ITC-HS Classification of Export and Import Items 2004-2009 which is available on the Website of the DGFT at www.dgft.gov.in;

(c) The aviation industry would be benefited by this procedural simplification through reduction in transaction cost.